

22. (NEW) The method as recited in claim 19 wherein said surface of said air induction assembly is a neck of a lower shell of said air induction assembly.
23. (NEW) The method as recited in claim 22 wherein said elastomeric seal is positioned between said neck having an inner diameter and a mass air flow sensor having an outer diameter, said inner diameter being greater than said outer diameter.
24. (NEW) The method as recited in claim 22 wherein the steps of applying said liquid form includes positioning a mold around an interior surface and an exterior surface of said neck, dispensing said liquid form into said mold, and removing said liquid form from said mold with said neck attached.
25. (NEW) The method as recited in claim 24 further comprising the step of inserting a mass air flow sensor into said neck of said lower shell, said elastomeric seal securing said mass air flow sensor to said neck.
26. (NEW) The method as recited in claim 22 further comprising the step of inserting a mass air flow sensor having an outer diameter into said neck of said lower shell having an inner diameter, said inner diameter being greater than said outer diameter, and the step of applying said liquid form includes dispensing said liquid form through an aperture in said neck and between said neck and said mass air flow sensor, said elastomeric seal securing said mass air flow sensor in said neck.

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27. A method for forming an elastomeric seal for use with an air induction assembly comprising the steps of:
melting a thermal mastic elastomeric material to a liquid form;
positioning a mold around an interior surface and an exterior surface of said neck;
dispensing said liquid form into said mold to create said elastomeric seal;
removing said elastomeric seal from said mold with said neck attached; and
inserting a mass air flow sensor into said neck of said lower shell, said elastomeric seal securing said mass air flow sensor in said neck.
28. (NEW) The method as recited in claim 27 further comprising the step of blending a gas into said liquid form to form a foamed composition.
29. (NEW) The method as recited in claim 28 wherein said gas is nitrogen.
30. (NEW) The method as recited in claim 27 wherein said elastomeric seal is positioned between said neck having an inner diameter and a mass air flow sensor having an outer diameter, said inner diameter being greater than said outer diameter.

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31. A method for forming an elastomeric seal for use with an air induction assembly comprising the steps of:

melting a thermal mastic elastomeric material to a liquid form;

inserting a mass air flow sensor having an outer diameter into said neck of said lower shell having an inner diameter, said inner diameter being greater than said outer diameter; and

dispensing said liquid form through an aperture in said neck and between said neck and said mass air flow sensor to create said elastomeric seal, said elastomeric seal securing said mass air flow sensor to said neck.

32. (NEW) The method as recited in claim 31 further comprising the step of blending a gas into said liquid form to form a foamed composition.

33. (NEW) The method as recited in claim 32 wherein said gas is nitrogen.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

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Figure 3b illustrates a side view of a mold utilized to shape a hot melt form.